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Sir:

Applicants petition to revive the above-identified application under 37 CFR §1.137(b). The application was unintentionally abandoned for failure to respond to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Action dated February 11, 2003.

The entire delay, including the delay from the date of discovery of the abandonment of the application through the date of this Petition, was unintentional.

The proposed response in the form of an Amendment is forwarded with this Petition.

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